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For: CELLULOSE ETHER BLENDS OF

INCREASED BULK DENSITY, THEIR USE IN CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL SYSTEMS, AND A PROCESS FOR PRODUCING CELLULOSE ETHER BLENDS OF INCREASED BULK DENSITY

Examiner: N. M. Nutter

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND COMMENTS TO INTERVIEW

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated January 8, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.